

To Members of the FCC

Gentlemen and Ladies:

I am writing to protest Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. This company, largely a contributor to the Republican Party, is using its preemptive power for no other reason than to bolster the Republican Party's chances at the polls while forsaking responsible broadcast journalism.

I am a teacher of mass communication classes at Kohler High School in Kohler, Wisconsin. I know that broadcasting has a responsibility of serving in the public's interest, convenience, and necessity. Those are fundamental rules that were created by the Communications Act of 1934, the same act that created the FCC. In no way does Sinclair Broadcasting honor this code by what they are doing. At the very least, should they be allowed to run this biased propaganda of the Republican Party, they should also be required to run a piece on John Kerry which balances the argument.

I implore you to intercede in this debacle and tell Sinclair Broadcasting to honor its responsibility by not running this piece. Thank you.

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